

Dr. Ferd. Mueller, V2. V2. V2.

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My dear Gray:

I am troubled in mind, body & estate, & am very anxious to finish the labor of love I have engaged in - the setting up of the Herbarium of our Society. I have got to & shall, this morning, commence the business. The labor (mechanical) is nearly done - that is, the great mass of the specimens to be admitted, are pinned on paper, ready to be arranged & put away: - former acquisitions, specimens are to be selected & brought in. I work with the method, and therefore, I think, rapidly.

When Bentham & Hooker gave out, I fell back upon Gray - & found that he answered very well.

I am compelled to trouble that kind gentleman again, so, here's at him!

I. This little villain (in the brown paper) had smuggled himself into Moller's Millster. You know him by sight & am confident. If so, please return him the name.

II. The following Genera (Compositae) I cannot place. Please tell me who they respectively, come near or next to.

Ptilactis.

Haploesthes.

Dianopholepis.

Pumilio.

III. I am running out of Genus papers - ~~and~~ am shuddering with apprehension. So see that I am supplied, at once, (i.e. as soon as may be) with half as much as I had before. The bill to be paid here to the Express - the paper to be directed to Everard Palmer, Esq., Buffalo.

Yours ever truly -

W. C. Cullen.

Dr A. Gray.

Everybody has been very kind to me, in this matter of the Herbarium - and I am really growing rich - Chapman (God bless him!) sent me about 500 Floridians. Scamby enriches me. The venerable Joshua Hoopes sent me 200 - Almost every one of these precious gifts must go into the Herbarium. Then a lady pipes into my hand a small parcel of Europeans - including *Agropyron*, *Phyllis*, *Tridax*, *Casearia* & *H. Wilsonii* things I feared I should never see. People are all very good - almost as good as Gray would be, if he was not so very busy, & so much absorbed in the love of a lady, ^{by whom} ~~by whom~~ I ^{should} ~~shall~~ be pained to be remembered.

But I can't do anything for my benefactors. I will be ever most respectful until I have got through the Herbarium - then will I make up packages for